ASSEMBLY BILL   No. 1569

Introduced by Assembly Member Allen
(Principal coauthors: Senators Wolk and Yee)

January 31, 2012

An act to amend Section 5349.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to mental health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1569, as amended, Allen. Community mental health services: assisted outpatient treatment.

Existing law, Laura's Law, until January 1, 2013, regulates designated assisted outpatient treatment services, which counties may choose to provide for their residents. In counties where assisted outpatient treatment services are available, a court may order a person to obtain assisted outpatient treatment if the court finds the requisite criteria is met, as specified. Existing law requires the State Department of Mental Health to submit a report and evaluation of all counties implementing any component of this law to the Governor and the Legislature by July 31, 2011, as specified.

This bill would extend authorization for the act to January 1, 2017, and would require the report to be submitted *require the State Department of Health Care Services to submit the report* by July 1, 2015.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1   SECTION 1. Section 5349.5 of the Welfare and Institutions
2 Code is amended to read:
3   5349.5. (a) This article shall remain in effect only until January
4 1, 2017, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute
5 that is enacted on or before January 1, 2017, deletes or extends
6 that date.
7   (b) The ~~State Department of Mental Health~~ *State Department*
8 *of Health Care Services* shall submit a report and evaluation of all
9 counties implementing any component of this article to the
10 Governor and to the Legislature by July 1, 2015. The evaluation
11 shall include data described in subdivision (d) of Section 5348.

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